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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 Statement are called to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each reference is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

As provided for by 37 CFR 1.97(g) and (h), no inference should be made that the information and references cited are prior art merely because they are in this Statement and no representation is being made that a search has been conducted or that this statement encompasses all the possible relevant information.

The Applicant's representative believes that no fee is required for submission of this Statement, because: (1) the items cited in the Statement were not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application; and (2) to the knowledge of the Applicant's representative, after reasonable inquiry, the Statement and copies of the enclosed references are being submitted within three months after any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 (c) learned of these references.

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Applicant believes that no fee is required for submission of this Statement, because it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1467. Please charge any addition fee or credit any overpayment to the above-noted Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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